

CLEAN VERSION OF REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPHS

In the specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 9, line 17 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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The present scoop may be manufactured from several types of materials including various plastic and metallic compounds. One important aspect of the present scoop is that it may be used to improve sanitation in retail and commercial applications by reducing contact between the operator and the products. This is accomplished by installing the scoop and/or any related assemblies with the container before it is distributed, and disposing of the scoop along with the container once the product is emptied from the container. Since the scoop does not have to be re-used, problems associated with improper cleansing and transferring contaminated implements from one container to another are avoided. Further, use of the present scoop reduces manual handling of the product, thereby reducing the risk of product contamination by humans.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 10, line 4 with the following rewritten paragraph:

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Figs 7 and 8 show alternate means for rotating the scoop or the container. Figure 7 shows a conventional, motorized gear and sprocket mechanism 90 wherein the gearing 92 may be attached to the edge of a lid containing scoop member 94. Alternatively, the gearing may be attached to the container, depending on whether the scoop or the container is to be rotated. Fig. 8 shows a conventional motorized belt mechanism 100 attached to the lid containing scoop member 102 that may be used to rotate the scoop or the container. Further, the scoop or the container may be rotated manually using an external handle.